



In re patent application of:

Before the Examiner

Group Art Unit 3724

May 20, 2004

May 20, 2004

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Pursuant to the duty of disclosure under 35 C.F.R. §1.56 and in accordance with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. §1.98, Applicant wishes to bring to the attention of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office the references cited on the enclosed PTO form 1449A.

I hereby certify that this paper or fee is being deposited with the United States Postal Service "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" service under 37 C.F.R. §1.10 on the date indicated above and is addressed to the Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313.

Signature of person mailing paper or fee

This information was cited in the parent application (application Serial No. 10/034,441, now issued as Patent No. 6,681,666) by the Examiner. Copies of cited items are not enclosed.

The filing of this Information Disclosure Statement shall not be construed as an admission that the information cited is, or is considered to be, material to patentability as defined in §1.56(b).

This IDS is being filed prior to the mailing of an Office Action on its merits. No fees are believed due; however, if any fees are deemed to be necessary, please charge such fees to Deposit Account 23-3030.

Respectfully Submitted

By: 

John V. Daniluck

Reg. No. 40581

Woodard, Emhardt, Naughton, Moriarty & McNett

111 Monument Circle, Suite 3700

Indianapolis, IN 46204-5137

(317) 634-3456 (telephone)

(317) 637-7561 (facsimile)

Burden Hour Statement: This form is estimated to take 2.0 hours to complete. Time will vary depending upon the needs of the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you are required to complete this form should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, Washington, DC 20231. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.